

Litter Version 1-2

Definition: Waste discarded or disposed of in a location not that is not designated for waste

Name
Variants: garbage, trash, refuse

Most
Common
Materials: paper, metal, plastic, organic, wood, foam, cardboard, rubber, large furniture materials and appliances

Most
Common
Components: discarded food and food items, paper, plastic, cups, bottles, cans, large furniture, tires, appliances

Location & Inspection of Litter

Abilities or Knowledge Needed:	- Visual acuity for location & inspection - Mobility for access to all areas of the property
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Tools for Location & Inspection	Useful:	n/a
	Required:	measuring tape

Common Locations:	Unit/Inside:	floors anywhere, near trash chutes
	Outside:	ground anywhere, near trash receptacles such as public trash cans and Dumpsters

How to Locate:	Visual Observation:	Look in common locations on floor and ground.
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Rationale:	<p>Health, Indirect: Litter accumulation could lead to infestations.</p> <p>Safety, Indirect: Litter accumulation on the ground could present a trip hazard.</p> <p>Routine Maintenance, Direct: it is reasonable to expect that litter accumulation would be identified through routine daily observations and facilities management would prioritize work orders to fix this deficiency.</p> <p>Market Appeal, Indirect: Litter can negatively affect public perception of the property.</p>	
Health and Safety Determination:	This is not a health and safety issue. It is a condition and appearance issue and should be corrected in accordance to the property manager's established maintenance plans.	
How to Inspect:	Visual Observation:	Look and floors and ground in areas undesignated for garbage for litter.
	Action:	Measure a 10 ft. x 10 ft. area around where the densest accumulation of litter is present using a measuring device. Count the number of items of litter within the measured area. Do not count beyond 10 items of litter.
Record deficiency if:	10 or more small items of litter—such as food wrappers, pieces of food, newspapers—are present within a 10 ft. x 10 ft. area not designated for garbage, or if any number of large items—such as furniture and appliance—have been clearly discarded in an area not designated for garbage.	

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Summary of Changes (from Version 1)

- The **Rationales** and the **Health and Safety Determination** have been updated, following in-house review and public comment.